Dear Howard,

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What you report about a new crisis with your parents must be painful. But I suggest the wisdom of Polonius - be true to yourself. You are, you have been, and let the rest work itself out. I don't think there is much you can do to change them. It may not be easy for them but in time they'll realize that they are not going to change you the way they want to.

We both enjoyed seeing you and look forward to your move closer.

I took a liberty with your memo on Epsteinker's appendix - I sent a copy to Lardner. It was delayed reaching him. He did not get it until late this afternoon. It will be helpful.

When you finish Legend think of how you'd like to handle a remand on 1448 - or deposing Epsteiner. Or the CIA types. (We are filing notice of deposing Briggs, Wilson and Savidge if Jim has not done it already in 77-1997, the fraud case, King.) I think Jim will enjoy those. He says the depositions that were not answered give him most of what he needs.

He was to have filed a motion for summary judgement in the JFK worksheets case this afternoon. The time for response passed without word. The FBI didn t even tell Shea that we'd filed, so he wrote and said they were pondering and he would monitor closely. On this note what I've caught them in, impossible without the worksheets. I doubt Coretta or Abernathy said anything like what the summary says.

Unless you have to let HEW know immediately just try to relax while you wait. I am sure you'd be happier at the Library. I believe there are very few places you'll begin by getting the kind of work that will interest you or add materially to what you have learned already. My own belief is that you have more than enough book learning and now need practical experience, with all the hard knocks as fast as you can get them. That really teaches. Of the things you looked into the Library sounds like the one place you might learn something that would add to your formal education in the law.

I don t know what Jim is sending you. If he did not send the recent Shea affidavit let me know. It guarantees Jim fees in the King case, 1996. I think they were already guaranteed by his affidavit in 77-2155, the case in which Gesell gave me the second JFK release. There he said I had done more in the public interest in the King suit - and Gesell ruled as he did. If he does not grant full waiver I think we'll clobber him before Green on his own record. His problem is that he agrees with us and has great pressures not to let me have anything. He's learning.

Not much new. The weather has been fine the past few days and I've been working a bit outside. The only thing to which I reacted was a little sawing of some saplings, what was not hard but may have involved muscles were there is the artery obstruction. Yesterday and today I did some earth mowing, by hand. I could have used the small tractor but I wanted the exercise. From the woods on the other side of the place uphill to the house and behind it.

Best,